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Sir:

I, Marc A. Brockhaus, having a mailing address of Dunlap, Coddling & Rogers, P.C., P.O. Box 16370, Oklahoma City, OK 73113, in the County of Oklahoma and the State of Oklahoma, represents that he is attorney of record for Petitioner/Assignee entity, Viasystems Group, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, 63105. Marc A. Brockhaus is authorized to sign on behalf of Petitioner/Assignee.

Viasystems Group, Inc., owns one hundred percent (100%) of the right, title and interest in and to the above-identified patent application, **U.S. Serial No. 6,598,291**, filed July 29, 2003, assignment recorded on August 2, 2001, on Reel/Frames 012053/0250.

The assignment documents relating to **U.S. Patent No. 6,598,291** and the above-identified application, **U.S. Serial No. 10/632,576**, have been reviewed and certified by Petitioner/Assignee and, to the best of Petitioner/Assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in the Petitioner/Assignee seeking to take this action.

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